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SUMMARY (U)

1. (S) Rev. Philip BERRIGAN, one of the "Catonsville 9," convicted for destroying Selective Service records at Catonsville, Maryland in May 1968, addressed an audience of approximately 150 students at Andrews Outdoor Theatre, University of Hawaii at 12:30 p.m., 25 March 1970. His visit to Hawaii was sponsored by the Symposia Committee of the Associated Students, University of Hawaii (ASUH), the University's student government body. BERRIGAN also appeared at a "Communion Service" at the Church of the Crossroads on the evening of 24 March, at Spalding Hall on the University of Hawaii campus at 9:30 a.m., 25 March, and at the Off-Center Coffeehouse, center of University radical activity, at 2:00 p.m., 25 March. As anticipated, he condemned the Selective Service System and denounced U.S. participation in the war in Vietnam. In addition, he likened the destruction by U.S. military forces in Vietnam to the Nazi gas ovens and crematories of World War II, called upon his audience to "dissent, rebel, revolutionize" and "recapture power," and implied that any action dedicated to the exposure, elimination and destruction of the current system would be justified.

TEXT (U)

2. (S) Early in March 1970 it was announced by the Symposia Committee of the Associated Students, University of Hawaii (ASUH), the University's student government body, that the Rev. Philip BERRIGAN, SSJ, had accepted an invitation to speak at Andrews Outdoor Theatre on the University campus at 12:30 p.m., 25 March 1970. The Symposia Committee further announced that he would lead two seminars on that day - one at 9:30 a.m. in Spalding Hall entitled "The Non-Violent Revolutionary Struggle," and the other at 2:00 p.m. at the Off-Center Coffeehouse labeled "Prison: A Punishment for Peace." BERRIGAN, one of the "Catonsville 9," was convicted for burning Selective Service files at Catonsville, Maryland in May 1968. He has served seven months of the six-year prison sentence meted out to him for this action and, having lost his appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court, is under orders to return to prison on 1 April. During the week prior to BERRIGAN's arrival handbills describing his background and activities (attachment (1)) were distributed on the University campus.

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3. (S) At 8:00 p.m., 24 March 1970 at a "Communion Service" at the Church of the Crossroads castigated American society as "undescribly bad." "Ecologically," he said, "we may have a 10-year limit on this society. It's going nowhere. A friend of mine says it's worse than Nazi Germany." He told his audience that he was pleased to accept the invitation to come to Hawaii because he was "moved" by the 33-day Church of the Crossroads episode of August-September 1969 that involved the sheltering of 37 American servicemen who had absented themselves without authority from their units. Although he characterized himself as an advocate of nonviolence, BERRIGAN stated that he had "no real quarrel" with those who were responsible for the bombing of buildings in New York and other large U.S. cities. "They have been scrupulously careful about human life," he said.

4. (S) At Andrews Outdoor Theatre at 12:45 p.m. on 25 March, BERRIGAN was introduced to an audience of approximately 150 students by [REDACTED] b6 per NCIS [REDACTED] THE RESISTANCE, Hawaii's most militant and aggressive anti-graft, b7C per NCIS [REDACTED] anti-Vietnam war organization (attachment (2)). [REDACTED] recounted BERRIGAN's many instances of involvement in protest activity and cited his religious vocation and theological training in an effort to establish credence and acceptability for his comments. Recounting the atrocities committed at Auschwitz, and citing rationalizations employed at the war crimes trials in defense of these atrocities, BERRIGAN contended that the leaders of the United States have resorted to "the same kind of doublespeak the Germans clung to" since the My Lai incident has been brought to public attention. He stated that the great American crime is not "lying, pillaging, murdering or directing the most advanced technology in the world to murder for you. It's getting caught at it." BERRIGAN characterized the role of the U.S. in the Vietnam war as "automated massacre," stating "Policy and practice aim simply and ruthlessly at this: The extermination of a people and the crushing of a civilization." Said BERRIGAN, "Is this substantially different from the policy that produced the excesses of Auschwitz? No, men still man the controls of a supersonic bomber, still fix the bombsight, still drop the napalm and the antipersonnel bombs, still pull the lanyard of a 155 mm howitzer, even as they (the Nazis) herded people to the gas oven or crematorium." BERRIGAN declared that there is "a moral and political duty to dissent, rebel, and revolutionize, and to recapture power by taking responsibility for the victims of American policy." He clearly implied that any action designed to expose, eliminate or destroy the effectiveness of such a system would be "justified."

5. (S) BERRIGAN also appeared at Spalding Hall on the University campus at

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9:30 a.m., 25 March and at the Off-Center Coffeehouse, the center of campus radical activity located in the vicinity of the University at 2331 Seaview Avenue, at 2:00 p.m. on the same day.							
ATTACHMENTS (1) Handbill entitled "FATHER PHILIP BERRIGAN, SSJ" (2) Characterization of THE RESISTANCE/28 Jun 68				DISSEMINATION Copy/all Copy/all			
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ASUH SYMPOSIA PRESENTS:

FATHER PHILLIP BERRIGAN, SSJ

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION:

- Veteran WWII, 2nd Lt. Inf., 13th Inf., 8th Inf. Division, European Theatre of operations.
- Member Society of St. Joseph, ordained 15 years, a Society dedicated to the American Black.
- Experience with Deep South Civil Rights struggle; worked with SNCC, SCLC, NAACP, Urban League; took Freedom Ride into Jackson, Mississippi, was at Selma.
- Bachelor's Degrees from Holy Cross College (Worcester, Mass.) and Loyola University of the South (New Orleans), and Master's from Xavier University (New Orleans).
- Author: No More Strangers (MacMillan 1965), Punishment for Peace (MacMillan 1969), and a forthcoming book on prison experience (Holt, Rinehart and Winston).
- Participant Baltimore 4 (pouring own blood over draft files, Customs House, Oct., 1967) and the Cantonville 9 (napalming draft files, May, 1968). Has served seven months in local and federal prisons. Currently waiting to resume remainder of a six-year federal sentence.
- Contributor to periodicals: Commonweal, Christianity and Crisis, Christian Century, Playboy, Catholic Worker, U.S. Catholic-Jubilee.
- Co-founder and co-chairman of the National Catholic Peace Fellowship.

SPEAKING SCHEDULE:

- March 24, Tuesday --- 8 p.m. --- Church of the Crossroads --- "The Color of Poverty"
- March 25, Wednesday --- 9:30 a.m. --- Spalding 155 --- "Non-violent Revolutionary Struggle"
- March 25, Wednesday --- 12:30 p.m. --- Andrews Outdoor Theatre --- "Resistance and the Warfare/Welfare State"
- 2 p.m. --- Off-Center Coffeehouse, 2331 Seaview Avenue --- discussion session and question-and-answers

Father Berrigan is on a very tight schedule and the ASUH Symposia Committee is grateful to him for taking some of his precious few days of remaining freedom to come and speak at the University of Hawaii. Recently, the U.S. Supreme Court denied the appeal of the "Cantonville 9" (draft file burning case in which Father Berrigan played a prominent role) and they must all return to prison on April 1. Don't miss this beautiful man, whose love and passion and commitment has made him truly one of the saints of our times. In his most recent book, Punishment for Peace, Father Berrigan expresses one of the most moving, disturbing and powerful indictments against racism ever written by a white man.

The following is a press statement released by Father Berrigan and his associates right after pouring blood over Baltimore draft files:

"On Friday October 27, 1967, we are entering the Customs House in Baltimore, Maryland to deface the draft records there with our blood."

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We shed our blood willingly and gratefully in what we hope is a sacrificial and constructive act. We pour it upon these files to illustrate that with them and with these offices, begins the pitiful waste of American and Vietnamese blood 10,000 miles away. That bloodshedding is never rational, seldom voluntary-in a word- non-constructive. It does not protect life, but rather endangers it.

We wish neither notoriety nor labels of martyrdom or messianism. We desire merely to stand for human life and a human future. We realize painfully yet clearly that what we have done goes beyond the scope of Constitutional right and civil liberty, and is therefore not to be taken lightly.

WAR AND PROPERTY: We believe that war proves nothing except man's refusal to be man and to live with men. We say that man must end war, or war will end man. We deplore our country's hot and cold warring and its crime against the often unwilling and powerless bodies behind these files.

Thus we unite with our servicemen against their real enemies. We shed our blood as they do theirs. We disrupt our lives as the draft does theirs.

We quarrel with the idolatry of property, and the war machine that makes property of men. We confront those countrymen to whom property means more than human life. We assert that property is often an instrument of massive injustice--like these files. Thus we feel this discriminate destruction of property for human life is warranted.

Nonetheless, we take every measure to protect the personnel here from hysteria or injury. We are content to remind them of their complicity in the untimely death of young soldiers, in the murder of innocent civilians, in the pain of parents and sweethearts. We ask their resignations.

AMERICA: We agree that America is the greatest manufacturer and salesman of violence in the world today. We feel this is so because power rests not with the people to whom it belongs, but with an economic, political and military cabal whose aims can tolerate neither foreign autonomy nor domestic freedom.

We charge that America would rather protect its empire of overseas profits than welcome the black people, rebuild its slums and cleanse its air and water. Thus we have signed our inner-city draft boards for our action.

We love our country and celebrate its greatness. But our love cannot accept its evil in silence and passivity. We withstand that evil with our consciences and bodies, and invite the punishment that this entails.

LAW: We state that any law which forces men to kill and to face death furthers war as surely as it encourages those who profit from war. We feel that Vietnam is a rich man's war and a poor man's fight--it is an unjust war backed up by unjust laws of conscription, tax preferences and suppression of dissent.

We indict such law with our consciences and acts and we appeal to Americans to purge their law, conform it to divine and humane law, apply it impartially, and build at home and abroad with it. We cannot accept the law as it protects injustice. This is not law, but a travesty of it. Thus we refuse any counsel that would bargain for our benefit with the law, and stand on our merits alone.

We ask neither to avoid detection nor to escape, but submit to apprehension and the consequences of our action.

We appeal our countrymen to judge our action against this nation's Judeo-Christian tradition, against the horror in Vietnam and the impending threat of nuclear destruction--against, finally, the universal human longing for justice and peace.

We invite friends in the peace and freedom movements to continue moving with us from dissent to resistance.

We ask God to be merciful and patient with us and with all men. We hope He will use our witness for His blessed designs.

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28 June 1968

THE RESISTANCE (U)

1. ~~(FOUO)~~ THE RESISTANCE (TR) was formulated in June 1967 in Berkeley, California, for the purposes of organizing opposition to the Selective Service System and the Vietnam war. In a relatively short time, RESISTANCE chapters began to appear on college campuses throughout the country. The unusually fast growth of TR is attributed to the growing opposition to the draft and the cooperation of a number of black nationalist, pacifist, "new left," and other anti-Vietnam war groups. Notables among these groups are the STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY, PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY, YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE, and the STUDENT NONVIOLENCE COORDINATING COMMITTEE.
2. ~~(FOUO)~~ Since its inception, TR has become a national coordinating body for anti-draft activities in the United States. In October 1967, TR organized STOP THE DRAFT WEEK, during which time RESISTANCE followers throughout the country converged on induction centers in an attempt to turn in draft cards as well as physically disrupt Selective Service routine. Since October, RESISTANCE groups have conducted sporadic civil disobediences at induction centers in order to provoke confrontations with inductees, the military, and the Federal Government. Additionally, TR has been distributing a flood of pamphlets and literature advocating that draft-age men either resist or seek conscientious objector status.
3. ~~(C)~~ TR currently maintains headquarters in Berkeley, California; San Francisco, California; Chicago, Illinois, and New York City, New York. Although supported in their endeavors by COMMUNIST PARTY, USA (CPUSA) members and front groups, there is no indication that TR is under the influence or control of the CPUSA. Some other names utilized by RESISTANCE groups are: CHICAGO AREA DRAFT RESISTERS (CADRE), BOSTON DRAFT RESISTANCE GROUP, NEW ENGLAND RESISTANCE, and several localized DRAFT RESISTANCE UNIONS.

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TO: THE PRESIDENT

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TO: DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

TO: DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

(CONFIDENTIAL) TRAVEL OF TWO INDIVIDUALS TO NORTH VIETNAM, JANUARY THIRTYONE, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT, TO CONTACT UNITED STATES PRISONERS OF WAR.

REFERENCE IS MADE TO THE TELETYPE FROM THIS BUREAU EARLIER JANUARY THIRTYONE, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, STATED THAT ON EVENING OF JANUARY THIRTYONE, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT, A PRESS CONFERENCE WAS HELD AT JOHN F. KENNEDY AIRPORT, NEW YORK CITY, WHERE IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT TWO MEN, IDENTIFIED AS HOWARD ZINN, A PROFESSOR FROM BOSTON UNIVERSITY, AND REVEREND DANIEL BERRIGAN, A JESUIT PRIEST, WERE LEAVING NEW YORK CITY

BETWEEN SEVEN THIRTY PM AND EIGHT THIRTY PM, JANUARY THIRTYONE, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT, TO TRAVEL TO NORTH VIETNAM FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING THE RELEASE OF THREE AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR IN NORTH VIETNAM AND ESCORT THEM OUT OF THE COUNTRY.

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TELETYPE TO THE PRESIDENT, ET AL
RE: TRAVEL OF TWO INDIVIDUALS TO NORTH VIETNAM

A NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN NEWS LETTER ISSUED BY THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR MARXIST STUDIES (AIMS), AN ORGANIZATION ORGANIZED BY A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, MENTIONED THAT "HOWARD ZINN, PROFESSOR OF GOVERNMENT, BOSTON UNIVERSITY," WAS CONDUCTING A SEMINAR ON "MARXISM AND THE NEW LEFT."

REVEREND DANIEL BERRIGAN HAS BEEN MENTIONED BY NEWS MEDIA AS A JESUIT POET AND RELENTLESS CRITIC OF AMERICAN VIETNAM POLICY. HE WAS ALSO DESCRIBED AS AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

A SECOND SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, LEARNED ON JANUARY THIRTYONE, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT, THAT THE PRESS CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK CITY WAS CONDUCTED BY DAVID DELLINGER, WHO WAS ASSISTED BY THOMAS HAYDEN. DELLINGER IS ASSOCIATED WITH THE NATIONAL MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE TO END THE WAR IN VIETNAM, AND HAYDEN IS ASSOCIATED WITH THE COMMITTEE TO ASSIST RELEASED PRISONERS.

DELLINGER STATED AT THE CONFERENCE A TELEGRAM WAS RECEIVED FROM HANOI SUNDAY FROM THE VIETNAM PEACE COMMITTEE INVITING THEM TO COME TO NORTH VIETNAM FOR THE RELEASE OF THREE AMERICAN PILOTS. DELLINGER STATED THE LAST NAMES OF THE PILOTS WOULD BE GIVEN OUT TO THE PRESS LATER.

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HOWARD ZINN STATED HE AND REVEREND BERRIGAN HAD BEEN SELECTED TO MAKE THE TRIP BECAUSE THEY WERE ACTIVE IN THE MOVEMENT AGAINST THE WAR IN VIETNAM. ZINN CALLED FOR THE IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL AMERICAN TROOPS FROM VIETNAM AS THE UNITED STATES HAD NO BUSINESS BEING THERE. HE ALSO THOUGHT THAT PRESIDENT JOHNSON WAS BEING DISLOYAL IN PURSUING THE PRESENT POLICY IN VIETNAM.

REVEREND BERRIGAN STATED HE WAS MAKING THE TRIP ON HUMANITARIAN GROUNDS. HE DID NOT BELIEVE HE WAS BEING UNPATRIOTIC IN MAKING THE TRIP.

IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT PROFESSOR ZINN AND REVEREND BERRIGAN WOULD BE IN COPENHAGEN TOMORROW AT NINE AM, COPENHAGEN TIME AND ARRIVE IN NORTH VIETNAM ON FRIDAY, TO RETURN WITH THE RELEASED PILOTS.

THE SECOND SOURCE ALSO ADVISED THAT BASED UPON RECENT NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS THAT HAVE APPEARED IN THE AMERICAN PRESS THAT HANOI WAS GOING TO RELEASE THREE AMERICAN PILOTS OVER THE LUNAR NEW YEAR HE BELIEVED THAT THE THREE PILOTS TO BE RELEASED WOULD BE:

MAJOR NORRIS MILLER OVERLY, HUNTINGTON, WEST VA.

CAPTAIN JON DAVID BLACK, JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE.

NAVY ENSIGN DAVID P. MATHENY, SOUTH BEND, INDIANA.

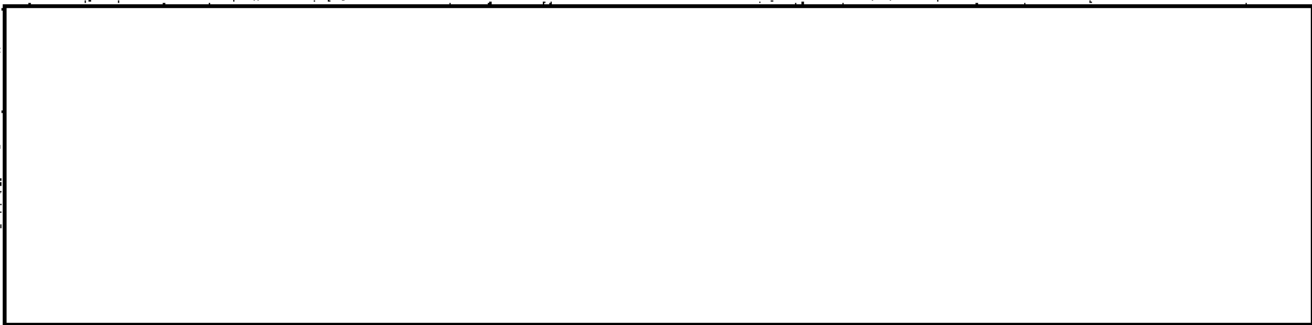
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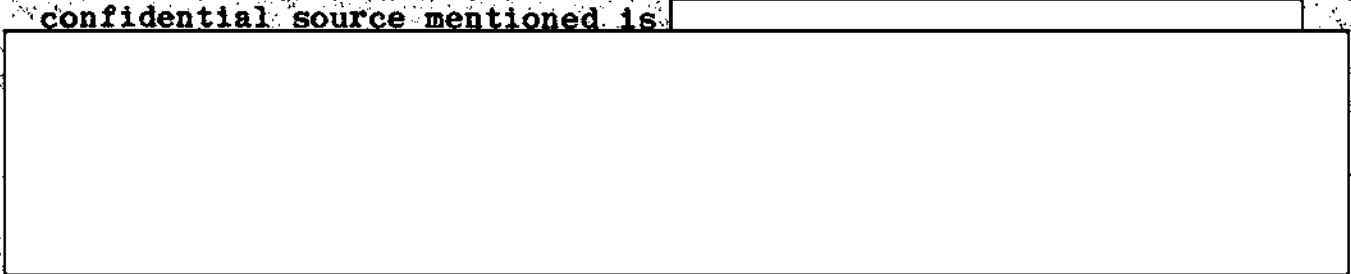
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FROM DIRECTOR FBI

TRAVEL OF TWO INDIVIDUALS TO NORTH VIETNAM, JANUARY THIRTY-

ONE, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT, TO CONTACT UNITED STATES PRISONERS
OF WAR.

A SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST

HAS ADVISED THAT

DAVID DELLINGER, EDITOR

OF "LIBERATION," A PACIFIST PUBLICATION IN NEW YORK CITY, IS

SENDING TWO REPRESENTATIVES TO VIETNAM TO ATTEMPT TO

MAKE CONTACT WITH UNITED STATES PRISONERS OF WAR. THESE REPRESENT

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ATIVES WERE DESCRIBED BY HAYDEN ONLY AS A CATHOLIC PRIEST AND A COLLEGE PROFESSOR. HAYDEN INDICATED THEY WOULD LEAVE FOR VIETNAM AT EIGHT P. M., ON JANUARY THIRTYONE, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT. DELLINGER WAS PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED AS MEMBER OF A COMMITTEE DESCRIBED AS "A COMMITTEE OF ANTIWAR LEADERS TO ENCOURAGE THE RELEASE OF PRISONERS AND TO DEFEND THEIR HUMAN AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS SHOULD THE NEED ARISE."

OTHER MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE INCLUDE MONSIGNOR CHARLES O. RICE, A PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA, CATHOLIC PRIEST WHO IS AN OUTSPOKEN CRITIC OF U. S. POLICY IN VIETNAM; AND STAUGHTON LYND, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AT ROOSEVELT UNIVERSITY IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. LYND HAS PREVIOUSLY TRAVELED TO NORTH VIETNAM IN VIOLATION OF STATE DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS.

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See memo C. D. Brennan to W. C. Sullivan, dated 1/31/68, captioned as above, prepared by CWT:jes/rwf.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 1/31/68

FROM : C. D. Brennan *CB*

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1 - Mr. Thompson

SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF TWO INDIVIDUALS TO NORTH VIETNAM,
1/31/68, TO CONTACT UNITED STATES
PRISONERS OF WAR
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

PURPOSE:

Daniel Berrigan

To recommend that information regarding plans of two individuals active in the antiwar movement to travel to North Vietnam today be disseminated by teletype to the White House, State Department, [redacted] and military intelligence agencies.

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BACKGROUND:

During the evening of 1/30/68 we received information [redacted] indicating that [redacted]

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[redacted] David Dellinger, a member of a recently formed committee of antiwar leaders working for release of prisoners of war, is sending a Catholic priest and a professor to North Vietnam today to attempt to contact U.S. prisoners of war. Neither the priest nor the professor were further identified, but Bureau files indicate that Monsignor Charles O. Rice, a Catholic priest from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Staughton Lynd, Assistant Professor of History at Roosevelt University in Chicago, Illinois; both of whom are outspoken critics of U.S. policy in Vietnam, are also members of the committee. Recent newspaper publicity has indicated that the North Vietnamese will release three additional prisoners of war in the near future and it is quite possible that the two representatives being sent by Dellinger to North Vietnam will attempt to negotiate the release of these prisoners.

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Memo to Mr. Sullivan
RE: TRAVEL OF TWO INDIVIDUALS TO NORTH VIETNAM
1/31/68, TO CONTACT UNITED STATES
PRISONERS OF WAR

ACTION TAKEN:

The New York Office has been instructed to immediately institute appropriate investigation to determine the identities of the individuals traveling to North Vietnam and to obtain additional details regarding the purpose of the travel. All information developed is being disseminated by teletype to the White House, State Department, [redacted] and the military intelligence agencies. The Attorney General and other interested officials of the Department of Justice are also being kept advised.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached teletype to the White House, State Department, [redacted] and the military intelligence agencies be approved.

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